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Entitled the "Pay As You Go Balanced Budget Act of 1982".

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Mr. MILLER of California (for himself, Mr. FROST, Mr. BEVILL, Mr. RATCHFORD, Mr. ECKART, Mr. D'AMOURS, Mrs. SCHROEDER, Mr. MATTOX, Mr. HUGHES, Mr. BONIOR of Michigan, Mr. FAZIO, Mr. VENTO, Mr. GORE, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. LUNDINE, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. WILLIAM J. COYNE, Mr. STARK, and Mr. SMITH of Iowa) introduced the following bill; which was referred jointly to the Committees on Rules and Government Operations

A BILL

Entitled the "Pay As You Go Balanced Budget Act of 1982".

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That (a)(1) notwithstanding any other provision of law, and
4 except as provided in paragraph (2), it shall not be in order in
5 the Senate or the House of Representatives to consider any
6 concurrent resolution on the budget for any fiscal year begin-
7 ning after September 30, 1982, or any amendment thereto or
8 any conference report thereon if—

9 (A) the adoption of such concurrent resolution as
10 reported;

1 (B) the adoption of such amendment; or

2 (C) the adoption of the concurrent resolution in
3 the form recommended in such conference report,
4 would cause—

5 (i) the appropriate level of total budget outlays set
6 forth in such concurrent resolution for such fiscal year
7 to exceed the appropriate level of total budget outlays
8 set forth for the preceding fiscal year in the most re-
9 cently agreed to concurrent resolution on the budget
10 for that preceding fiscal year; or

11 (ii) the recommended level of Federal revenues set
12 forth in such concurrent resolution for such fiscal year
13 to be less than the recommended level of Federal rev-
14 enues for the fiscal year preceding that fiscal year set
15 forth in the most recently agreed to concurrent resolu-
16 tion on the budget for that preceding fiscal year.

17 (2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), a concurrent resolu-
18 tion on the budget for a fiscal year may—

19 (A) provide for an amount of budget outlays for
20 such fiscal year in excess of the appropriate level of
21 total budget outlays for the fiscal year preceding that
22 fiscal year set forth in the most recently agreed to con-
23 current resolution on the budget for that preceding
24 fiscal year if the concurrent resolution on the budget
25 for such fiscal year also—

1 (i) provides for an amount of revenues for
2 such fiscal year in addition to an amount of rev-
3 enues equal to the recommended level of Federal
4 revenues for the fiscal year preceding that fiscal
5 year set forth in the most recently agreed to con-
6 current resolution on the budget for such preced-
7 ing fiscal year, which is not less than such
8 amount of excess budget outlays; and

9 (ii) identifies the source of such additional
10 amount of revenues and proposes changes in law
11 to achieve such additional amount of revenues; or

12 (B) provide for a reduction in the recommended
13 level of Federal revenues for such fiscal year below the
14 recommended level of Federal revenues for the preced-
15 ing fiscal year set forth in the most recently agreed to
16 concurrent resolution on the budget for that preceding
17 fiscal year if the concurrent resolution on the budget
18 for such fiscal year also—

19 (i) provides for a reduction in budget outlays
20 for such fiscal year below the appropriate level of
21 total budget outlays for the fiscal year preceding
22 such fiscal year set forth in the most recently
23 agreed to concurrent resolution on the budget for
24 such preceding fiscal year, in an amount not less

1 than the amount of the reduction in revenues for
2 such fiscal year; and

3 (ii) identifies the program or activity in which
4 such reduction in budget outlays is to be made
5 and proposes changes in law to accomplish such
6 reduction in budget outlays.

7 (3) Any additional amount of revenues contained in a
8 concurrent resolution on the budget pursuant to paragraph
9 2(A)(i) shall only include additional revenues which will
10 result from proposed changes in law. Any reduction in budget
11 outlays contained in a concurrent resolution on the budget
12 pursuant to paragraph 2(B)(i) shall only include reductions in
13 budget outlays which will result from proposed changes in
14 law.

15 (b) Subsection (a) may be waived by a two-thirds vote of
16 the Members of each House of Congress, duly chosen and
17 sworn.

18 SEC. 2. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law
19 and except as provided in subsection (b), the Budget trans-
20 mitted pursuant to section 201(a) of the Budget and Account-
21 ing Act, 1921, for the ensuing fiscal year shall not contain—

22 (1) an estimate of total budget outlays for such
23 ensuing fiscal year which exceeds the appropriate level
24 of total budget outlays for the fiscal year in progress
25 set forth in the most recently agreed to concurrent res-

1 olution on the budget for such fiscal year in progress;
2 or

3 (2) an estimate of total revenues for such ensuing
4 fiscal year which is less than the recommended level of
5 revenues for the fiscal year in progress set forth in the
6 most recently agreed to concurrent resolution on the
7 budget for such fiscal year in progress.

8 (b) Notwithstanding subsection (a), the Budget transmit-
9 ted pursuant to section 201(a) of the Budget and Accounting
10 Act, 1921, for the ensuing fiscal year may—

11 (1) contain an estimate of budget outlays for such
12 ensuing fiscal year in excess of the appropriate level of
13 total budget outlays for the fiscal year in progress set
14 forth in the most recently agreed to concurrent resolu-
15 tion on the budget for such fiscal year in progress if
16 such Budget also—

17 (A) contains an estimate of revenues for such
18 ensuing fiscal year in addition to an amount of
19 revenues equal to the recommended level of Fed-
20 eral revenues for the fiscal year in progress set
21 forth in the most recently agreed to concurrent
22 resolution on the budget for such fiscal year in
23 progress, which is not less than the amount of
24 such excess budget outlays; and

1 (B) identifies the source of such additional
2 estimated revenues and proposes changes in law
3 to achieve such additional estimated revenues; or
4 (2) contain an estimate of a reduction in revenues
5 for such ensuing fiscal year below the recommended
6 level of Federal revenues for the fiscal year in progress
7 set forth in the most recently agreed to concurrent res-
8 olution on the budget for such fiscal year in progress if
9 such Budget also—

10 (A) contains an estimate of a reduction in
11 budget outlays for such ensuing fiscal year below
12 the appropriate level of total budget outlays for
13 the fiscal year in progress set forth in the most
14 recently agreed to concurrent resolution on the
15 budget for such fiscal year in progress, in an
16 amount not less than the amount of the reduction
17 in revenues for such ensuing fiscal year; and

18 (B) identifies the program or activity for
19 which such estimated reduction in budget outlays
20 is proposed and proposes changes in law to
21 achieve such estimated reduction in budget
22 outlays.

23 (c) Any additional estimated revenues which, pursuant
24 to subsection (b)(1)(A), are contained in the Budget transmit-
25 ted pursuant to section 201(a) of the Budget and Accounting

1 Act, 1921, shall only include additional estimated revenues
2 which will result from proposed changes in law. Any estimat-
3 ed reductions in budget outlays, which, pursuant to subsec-
4 tion (b)(2)(A), are contained in any such budget shall only
5 include estimated reductions in budget outlays which will
6 result from proposed changes in law.

7 SEC. 3. For purposes of this Act—

8 (1) the term “budget outlays” has the same
9 meaning as in section 3(1) of the Congressional Budget
10 and Impoundment Control Act of 1974; and

11 (2) the term “concurrent resolution on the
12 budget” has the same meaning as in section 3(4) of
13 such Act.

14 SEC. 4. (a) The provisions of the first section and sec-
15 tion 3 of this Act are enacted by the Congress—

16 (1) as an exercise of the rulemaking power of the
17 House of Representatives and the Senate, respectively,
18 and as such they shall be considered as part of the
19 rules of each House, respectively, or of that House to
20 which they specifically apply, and such rules shall su-
21 percede other rules only to the extent that they are in-
22 consistent therewith; and

23 (2) with full recognition of the constitutional right
24 of either House to change such rules (so far as relating
25 to such House) at any time, in the same manner, and

- 1 to the same extent as in the case of any other rule of
- 2 such House.

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